Summer Post-Bac Program

The program is open to students who have received a bachelor’s degree and who are planning to attend a graduate degree program in Biostatistics. Past summer program participants are encouraged to apply!

Two interns will be selected for a summer position and will:

- Conduct biostatistical or epidemiologic research guided by a Harvard faculty mentor and graduate student mentor
- Participate in collaborative research projects at academic and clinical centers at Harvard
- Attend regular seminars at Harvard and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute on Biostatistical topics
- Present research findings at our Annual Symposium in July 2015
- Receive directed mentoring and support for graduate school applications and selection

Applications must be completed online by FEBRUARY 1, 2016

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Statistics, computational sciences and mathematics play fundamental roles in the discovery and development of treatments for diseases, including asthma, diabetes, heart disease, HIV/AIDS, cancer, Alzheimer’s disease, and depression. These quantitative methods are also used to detect the environmental risks of disease, including pollution, violence, and access to exercise and healthful foods.

**ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Must be a US citizen or permanent resident
- Good academic standing, with an appropriate background in mathematics
- Demonstrate an interest in, and potential to pursue, graduate study
- Contribute to student diversity at HSPH:
  - underrepresented minorities, disabled students, low income students and first-generation college students

**APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

- Completed online application form (available November 1st)
- Personal statement (1 page)
- Official transcripts
- 2 recommendation letters, preferably from faculty who can attest to applicant’s classroom performance, motivation and overall suitability for

**Participants in the Program will:**

- Prepare for GRE’s
- Take a course in Biostatistics and Epidemiology
- Learn statistical software packages (e.g. Stata, R)
- Participate in a collaborative research project with other students, guided by a graduate student and mentored by a faculty member
- Prepare and deliver a polished presentation that reports on your research project at a major symposium
- Attend several talks about current research and hot topics in Public Health (e.g., nutrition, social behavior) by internationally renowned researchers
- Visit local laboratories and research centers to observe Public Health research in action
- Explore graduate school options in quantitative Public Health with our Director of Graduate Studies and prepare for graduate school applications
- Build relationships with fellow students with similar interests and with faculty in Public Health
- Enjoy social & cultural activities in the lively Boston summer, including excursions to museums, restaurants & sports events

**June 12 - July 23 2016**
**Application Deadline:** February 1st 2016

**Winner of the 2010 American Mathematical Society’s “Mathematics Programs that Make a Difference” Award**

**Mahlet Tadesse**
Summer of 1997
Associate Professor in Mathematics & Statistics
Georgetown University

“The summer program was a great experience. In addition to introducing me to the field of biostatistics and allowing me to see the exciting opportunities available for a student with a math major, it demystified the graduate application process, gave me the confidence to apply to top graduate programs, and pursue my graduate studies at Harvard.”